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Welcome!

With five state parks in the midst of a 13,000-acre forest, the South Mountain Recreation Area is open for adventure year round! Featuring boating, swimming, fishing, hiking, mountain biking, camping, and picnicking, Greenbrier State Park is the perfect place to get your blood pumping or just relax and unwind. Maryland's approximately 40 miles of the Appalachian National Scenic Trail follow the length of the South Mountain ridgeline, beckoning hikers for a day trip or an overnight excursion. Gathland State Park presents the unique history of Civil War correspondent George Alfred Townsend, whose estate now houses two museums, and you can walk in the footsteps of soldiers who fought the first major Civil War battle in Maryland at South Mountain State Battlefield. At Washington Monument State Park, climb to the top of the first monument honoring George Washington for unrivaled views of the mountain and valley. Be sure you have the necessary skills, knowledge and equipment for a safe, environmentally respectful visit, and enjoy your time in the great outdoors at the South Mountain Recreation Area!

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Leave No Trace

Enjoy the outdoors and the Appalachian Trail in Maryland responsibly.

Remember, volunteers maintain The Appalachian Trail. Respect their efforts and the land by adhering to the following outdoor ethics:

PLAN AHEAD AND PREPARE

- Know the rules and regulations. Call South Mountain Recreation Area at 301-791-4767 if you have questions.
- Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies. Call 800-825-PARK or 911 if you have an emergency.
- Schedule your trip to avoid times of high use, or user conflicts.
- Be aware of hunters. Hunting is heaviest from late September through December, and April through May. Wear bright-colored clothing during hunting seasons.
- **Travel in small groups.** Avoid groups larger than 10 participants for overnight trips, and groups larger than 25 participants for day trips.
- Use a map. The Potomac Appalachian Trail Club's Maps 5 and 6 are ideal for traveling the Maryland portion of the A.T. Copies can be purchased at Greenbrier and Washington Monument state parks.
- Stay on designated trails and camp only on designated campsites.
- The Appalachian Trail is for **foot traffic only**.
- **Follow official blazes.** The A.T. is marked by white blazes, side trails by blue. Avoid bushwhacking your own trail or following abandoned roads.

CAMP AT DESIGNATED CAMPSITES

- Camping is allowed **only at designated trail shelters and campgrounds.**

DISPOSE OF WASTE PROPERLY

- **Pack-it-in, pack-it-out.** There are no trash cans in Maryland State Parks.
- Deposit solid human waste at campground privies, or in 8-inch deep cat holes.
- Dispense liquid waste (urine, dishwater) at least 200 feet away from springs and streams.
- Trash should not be placed in privies.

- Pack out toilet paper and hygiene products.
- Repackage food to minimize waste.

LEAVE WHAT YOU FIND

- Preserve the past: examine, but **do not touch**, cultural or historical structures or artifacts.
- Leave rocks, plants and other natural objects as you find them.
- Avoid introducing and/or transporting non-native species.
- Avoid building structures, furniture or digging trenches.

MINIMIZE CAMPFIRE IMPACTS

- **Campfires are prohibited** at Annapolis Rock. At all other designated campsites, use established fire rings.
- Keep fires small.
- Use only **timber found on the ground**. Do not cut live vegetation.
- Burn all wood or coals to ash, **put out campfires completely**, then scatter cool ashes.

RESPECT WILDLIFE

- Observe wildlife from a distance. **Do not follow, approach or feed.**
- Store food and trash securely. Black bears frequent South Mountain; hang food in bear bags.
- Control pets. **Dogs must be leashed.**

BE CONSIDERATE OF OTHER VISITORS

- **Respect other visitors** and protect the quality of their experience. Avoid loud voices and noises.
- Be courteous. Yield to other trail users.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE MPS RULES & REGULATIONS

- Shelters and campsites are intended for backpackers or hikers.
- Maximum of six people per regular campsite.
- Maximum of 10 people per group campsite.
- Overnight hikers will be limited to a maximum two-night stay at any shelter/campsite area.

Learn more at Int.org.



Popular A.T. Day Hikes

Amazing Views and Historic Sites Provide Great Destinations for a Day Hike.

WASHINGTON MONUMENT (elevation 1,500 feet)

Access Point: U.S. 40 parking lot, 1/4 mile east of Greenbrier. Follow blue-blazed trail from parking lot to white-blazed A.T. Turn left to go south (cross I-70 foot bridge).

Difficulty: Moderate • **Distance:** 3 miles (one way)

Return Options: Return by same trail to U.S. 40 or leave a second car at Washington Monument State Park.

Highlights: The first monument to George Washington offers views to the east and west.

WEVERTON CLIFFS (elevation 750 feet)

Access Point: Gathland State Park

Difficulty: Strenuous • **Distance:** 6 miles (one way)

Return Options: Return by same trail or leave a second car at Weverton Road (one mile south of Weverton Cliffs on A.T.).

Highlights: Weverton Cliffs offers a view of the Potomac Valley near Harpers Ferry, W.Va.

ANNAPOLIS ROCK (elevation 1,700 feet)

Access Point: U.S. 40 parking lot, 1/4 mile east of Greenbrier. Follow blue-blazed trail from parking lot to white-blazed A.T. Turn right to go north.

Difficulty: Moderate • **Distance:** 4.4 miles (round trip)

Return: Return by same trail to U.S. 40.

Highlights: Annapolis Rock offers a view of Greenbrier Lake and the Cumberland Valley.

Appalachian National Scenic Trail

Explore the Mountain's Challenging, Scenic Terrain on this National Treasure of a Trail.

THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL – a 2,190-mile footpath across Appalachian Mountain ridgelines from Georgia to Maine – was envisioned in 1921 by Benton MacKaye, a forester and self-styled philosopher. Thousands of volunteers, many legislators and the Civilian Conservation Corps made the trail a reality by 1937. Many hikers use the trail today for short day hikes or overnight backpacking adventures, and hundreds tackle the entire journey, which requires extensive planning and incredible physical and mental strength.

Maryland's 40 miles are considered easy by A.T. standards, with only a 1,650-foot change in elevation from the low point at the Potomac River to the high point at High Rock. Following the South Mountain ridgeline, it offers plenty of challenges and impressive scenery. For beginning backpackers or those getting in shape, the entire A.T. in Maryland can be hiked in three or four days, with trail shelters and backpacker campgrounds spaced about a day's hike apart.

HELP FOR THE HIKE To learn more about the A.T. and plan your trek, visit:

Appalachian Trail Conservancy
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DON'T MISS THESE A.T. POINTS OF INTEREST

(Distances in miles between features)

Mason-Dixon Line

0.2

Pen-Mar Park

2.9

High Rock

1.8

*Raven Rock Shelter

1.0

MD Route 491
(Raven Rock Hollow)

0.8

Warner Hollow Road

1.5

MD Route 77

1.2

*Ensign Cowall Shelter

0.2

MD Route 17

4.7

*Pogo Memorial Campground

1.3

Black Rock

1.0

*Annapolis Rock Campground

1.6

*Pine Knob Shelter

0.6

I-70 Footbridge/Route 40

2.9

Washington Monument

2.0

U.S. Route Alternate 40
(Turners Gap)

0.2

*Dahlgren Backpackers
Campground

0.8

Reno Monument Road
(Fox's Gap)

1.0

*Rocky Run Shelter

1.8

Lambs Knoll/White Rock

3.2

*Crampton's Gap Shelter

0.4

Gathland State Park
(Crampton's Gap)

3.7

*Ed Garvey Shelter

2.1

Weverton Cliffs

0.9

Weverton Road

0.5

C&O Canal Towpath
(east end)

2.6

C&O Canal Towpath
(west end) and Footbridge
to Harpers Ferry

*Designated Campsites



South Mountain Recreation Area

Year-Round Adventure Awaits in Four State Parks that Span the Mountain Ridgeline.

WATER SPORTS

Greenbrier State Park's 44-acre fresh water lake is perfect for swimming, boating and fishing. Lifeguards monitor the beach and swim area Memorial Day-Labor Day. Bring your boat (electric trolling motors only) or rent rowboats and paddle boats from Greenbrier's concessionaire. An appropriate Maryland fishing license lets you fish for bass, trout or blue gill; Children age 15 or younger do not need a fishing license. Maryland's Free Fishing Days (no license required) are the first two Saturdays in June and July 4. In winter, the lake often freezes solidly enough for ice fishing.

HIKING

The varied trails at Greenbrier State Park offer stunning views, with challenges for most levels of experience. Access the famed Appalachian Trail at Greenbrier, Gathland, Washington Monument and South Mountain state parks.

MOUNTAIN BIKING

Mountain bikers can pedal more than 8 miles of trail at Greenbrier State Park, which hosts the National Championship-qualifying Greenbrier Challenge mountain bike race.

WILDLIFE

Deer, turkeys, foxes, squirrels, raccoons, skunks, bears and many species of reptiles, birds and amphibians call South Mountain home. Washington Monument is a perfect perch for viewing the fall migration of eagles, falcons and hawks during peak time in mid-September. Bring a camera and guide books, but please respect the wildlife. Do not disturb!

GEOCACHING

With a GPS device, you can enjoy outdoor treasure hunting games. Visit www.geocaching.com to find coordinates for geocaches hidden in the parks.

SNOW SPORTS

Cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and sledding on the park trails or in open areas near the lake are great ways to enjoy the parks during snowy winter months.

VISITOR CENTER

You'll find exhibits on South Mountain's wildlife, history and the Appalachian Trail, as well as helpful park staff at Greenbrier's Visitor Center, open weekdays year round and weekends in the spring and summer.

MUSEUMS

State-of-the-art museums at Washington Monument and Gathland state parks are now open! At the Washington Monument museum, hear the sounds of battle and view troop movement on South Mountain as a narrator details the Maryland Campaign. Gathland's interactive exhibits highlight area Civil War activity and the Civil War correspondent who created a grand estate and monument on one of the Battle of South Mountain sites.

HISTORY

Many historical sites are within the South Mountain Recreation Area, including many publicly accessible Civil War battlefield sites. Walk these somber and fascinating grounds and view the monuments and markers noting significant battle events.

HUNTING

Hunting areas on South Mountain include the Black Rock, Gathland, and Lambs Knoll hunting lands, and a 500-acre hunting area in Greenbrier. A Maryland hunting license and knowledge of the Maryland hunting seasons are required. There is no hunting on Sundays. Find maps and details on page 24. ◀

PICNICKING & EVENTS

Host your friends and family for picnics at Washington Monument, Gathland or Greenbrier, with hundreds of picnic sites with tables and grills, and four lake-front gazebos for rent. Reserve a shelter at Washington Monument and Gathland state parks, which accommodate various group sizes for reunions, weddings, birthdays, club gatherings and more. Visit parkreservations.maryland.gov or call 888-432-CAMP to reserve shelters at Washington Monument or Gathland state parks. Reserve Greenbrier's lake-front gazebos by calling 888-432-2267.

ACCESSIBILITY

The museum and picnic shelter at Washington Monument State Park are accessible to the mobility impaired, and at Gathland State Park the museum is accessible. Greenbrier's Visitor Center and restrooms in the beach area are accessible. Beach wheelchairs are available at no charge on a first-come, first-served basis.

Greenbrier State Park

Discover the Full Range of Fun, All In One Great Park



Located in the Appalachian Mountains, with a portion of the Appalachian Trail passing through the park's eastern edge, Greenbrier is a multi-use park offering a range of recreational opportunities. The man-made freshwater lake offers swimming, sunbathing, boating and fishing opportunities, and hiking trails meander through a variety of wildlife habitats and spectacular views. Picnic tables and grills and playgrounds are available in the day-use area.

SWIMMING: A 1,000-foot beach and swim area that gradually reaches a depth of six feet leaves plenty of shallow water for children to play in Greenbrier's 44-acre fresh water lake. Lifeguards monitor the beach and swim area daily from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Restrooms, showers and changing rooms are available.

PICNICKING: Greenbrier features hundreds of picnic sites with tables and grills. Sites overlook the lake and are convenient to restrooms. Rent one of our four lake-front gazebos for group picnics – they seat up to 32 people.

BOATING: Bring your own boat (electric trolling motors only) or rent rowboats and paddleboats by the hour during the summer.

FISHING: With an appropriate Maryland fishing license in possession, you can fish for trout, bass or blue gill. Children 15 or younger do not need a fishing license. Free Fishing Days: first two Saturdays in June and July 4. No license is required to fish in any of Maryland's fresh waters on these days.

PETS:

Pets on leashes are allowed in Greenbrier State Park in the following areas:

- Pets on leashes are allowed in the day-use and lake area from the day after Labor Day to the day before Memorial Day Weekend.
- Pets on leashes are allowed in the Cedar and Dogwood camp loops.
- Pets on leashes are allowed on trails outside the day-use and lake area (access from outlying parking areas).

WILDLIFE: The park is home to abundant wildlife. Bring your camera and guide books, but please respect the animals. Do not disturb!

HUNTING: Greenbrier has a 500-acre hunting area. A Maryland hunting license and knowledge of the Maryland hunting seasons are required. There is no hunting on Sundays. The Natural Resources Police monitor hunters closely, so be sure your weapon is unloaded in the safety zones and near your vehicle. Remember that hikers may be unaware of hunting seasons.

ACCESSIBILITY: The Visitor Center and all restrooms in the beach area at Greenbrier State Park are accessible to the mobility impaired. The beach plaza allows easy access to the beach and shower house. Beach wheelchairs are available at no charge on a first-come, first-served basis.

VISITOR CENTER: Explore exhibits on South Mountain's wildlife, history and the Appalachian Trail. Park staff will be happy to answer your questions. The Visitor Center is open weekdays year round and weekends in the spring and summer.

HIT THE TRAILS Mountain bikes are welcome on all Greenbrier State Park trails except on the face of the dam, on a section of unblazed trail between the Rock Oak Fire Trail (blue) and the dam, and the Bartman Hill Trail. Bikes are NOT permitted on the Appalachian Trail. See page 10 for map. ◀

Several Greenbrier trails are in public hunting areas. The most popular hunting seasons are Sept.-Jan. and April-May. Wear bright colors during these times.

DAY USE SERVICE CHARGES

DATE	WEEKDAY MARYLAND	WEEKEND & HOLIDAY MARYLAND
October - April	\$3 per car	\$3 per car
May & September	\$3 per car	\$3 per person
Memorial Day Weekend - Labor Day	\$3 per person	\$5 per person

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For Maryland State Park Passport information visit dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/pages/parkpass.aspx

PLAN YOUR VISIT

- **Alcohol is prohibited** in the entire park
- Greenbrier is a **"Trash-Free Park."** Take your trash home with you; bring bags and plan accordingly to reduce waste.

- **Bus groups** must make prior reservations. Buses are not permitted on summer weekends and holidays.

- Greenbrier often **fills to capacity** on summer weekends and holidays. If the park fills, all additional visitors will be turned away (no exceptions). To ensure entry, all party members are encouraged to arrive at the park early.

- **Baptisms** at Greenbrier Lake are strictly prohibited between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. every day from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. Prior written approval is needed for baptisms at all other times.

- **Metal detectors** are permitted on the sandy beach and in the swimming area only. From the Friday of Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day, metal detectors are prohibited from 9 a.m. to dusk. Metal detectors may not be used elsewhere in the park.

Greenbrier State Park

c/o South Mountain Recreation Area

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dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/western/greenbrier.aspx

CAMP STORE

Greenbrier's Camp Store, located at the beach next to the Concession Stand, is now open for the convenience of our campers. We will have cups of coffee for sale, breakfast items, souvenirs, and other camping necessities that you may have forgotten to bring. The store will be open for several hours in the morning and again in the evening.

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GREENBRIER STATE PARK TRAIL SYSTEM MAP



BARTMAN HILL TRAIL: *Blaze Color:* Light Blue *Distance:* 0.6 mile *Difficulty:* Strenuous *Description:* Steep trail connects Visitor Center to Appalachian Trail (A.T.). Turn left on the A.T. to go north or right to go south.

BIG RED TRAIL: *Blaze Color:* Red *Distance:* 4.5 miles *Difficulty:* Strenuous *Description:* The longest trail in the park, Big Red is a complete circle with many access points.

CAMP LOOP TRAIL: *Blaze Color:* Orange *Distance:* 1 mile *Difficulty:* Moderate *Description:* Adding a short section of the Big Red Trail makes this a 1.5 mile loop. Hilly by the lake.

COPPERHEAD TRAIL: *Blaze Color:* Black *Distance:* 0.4 mile *Difficulty:* Moderate *Description:* Parallels a section of the Big Red Trail.

GREEN TRAIL: *Blaze Color:* Green *Distance:* 0.8 mile *Difficulty:* Moderate *Description:* Loop trail starting at the Visitor Center. Good for beginning hikers.

MARKED MILE: *Blaze Color:* White Arrows *Distance:* 1 mile *Difficulty:* Easy *Description:* Follow white arrows on paved surfaces in the day use area for exactly a mile walk. Starts at the "X" near the Visitor Center.

ROCK OAK FIRE TRAIL: *Blaze Color:* Blue *Distance:* 1.5 miles *Difficulty:* Moderate *Description:* Parallels Snelling Fire Trail. Includes one steep section.

SNELLING FIRE TRAIL: *Blaze Color:* Silver *Distance:* 1 mile *Difficulty:* Moderate *Description:* Fairly flat; steep section in the middle.

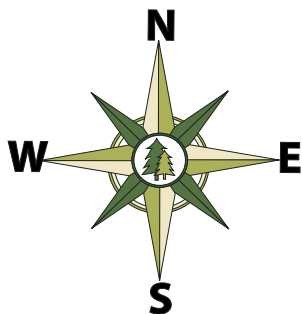
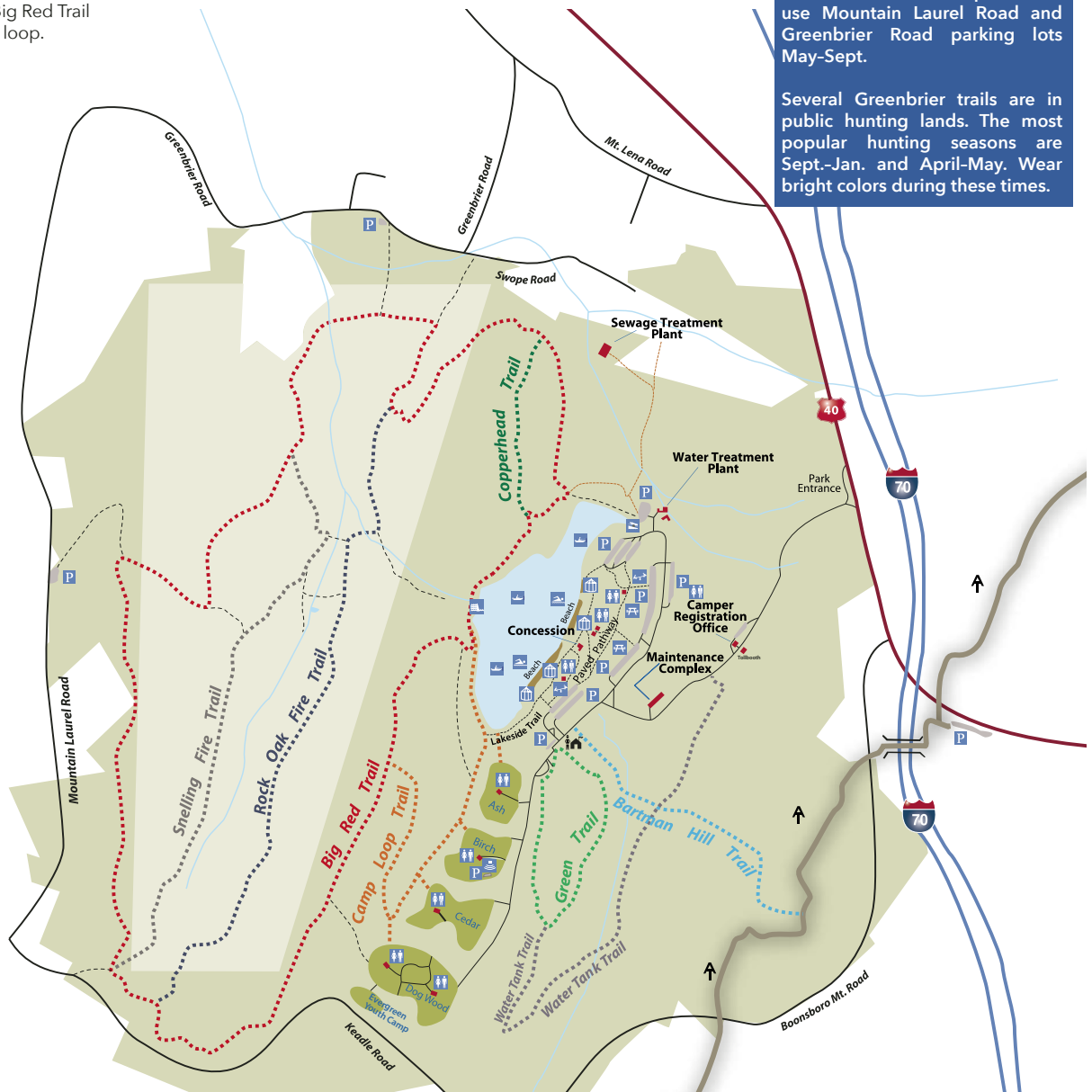
WATER TANK TRAIL: *Blaze Color:* Silver *Distance:* 0.8 mile *Difficulty:* Moderate *Description:* Runs from Camper Registration Office to the Green Trail.

HIT THE TRAILS

Mountain bikes are welcome on all Greenbrier State Park trails except on the face of the dam, on a section of un-blazed trail between the Rock Oak Fire Trail (blue) and the dam, and the Bartman Hill Trail. Bikes are NOT permitted on the Appalachian Trail.

Pets are not allowed within the developed areas the day before Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. Pets on leashes are welcome on the trails and on the A.T. Hikers with pets must use Mountain Laurel Road and Greenbrier Road parking lots May-Sept.

Several Greenbrier trails are in public hunting lands. The most popular hunting seasons are Sept.-Jan. and April-May. Wear bright colors during these times.



	Visitor Center		Elevated Bridge		Playground/Field		Hunting Area
	Picnic Area		Water Dam		Amphitheater		Beach
	Swimming		Parking		Parking Lot Paved		Trail
	Boat Launch		Gazebo		State Park		Secondary Trail
	Boating		Restroom		Campground		Private Road
	Appalachian Trail		Building		Interstate		U.S. Highway

LEGEND



Greenbrier Campground

Connect with Family and Nature Camping
Under the South Mountain Stars.



Greenbrier features 165 developed campsites in a mountain forest setting. The campground includes four loops, each with its own central shower building. Each campsite has a driveway, a space for trailers or tents, a picnic table, firewood rack, lantern holder, and a fire ring. Each campsite can accommodate up to six people. Ash Loop is closest to the lake. Cedar Loop includes electric hook-ups. The camp area has a central dump station and dumpsters. Camping is open from early April through late October. Pets on leashes are permitted in the Cedar and Dogwood loops.

Campsites allow for a maximum combined trailer and vehicle length of 30 feet.



CAMPSITE RESERVATION

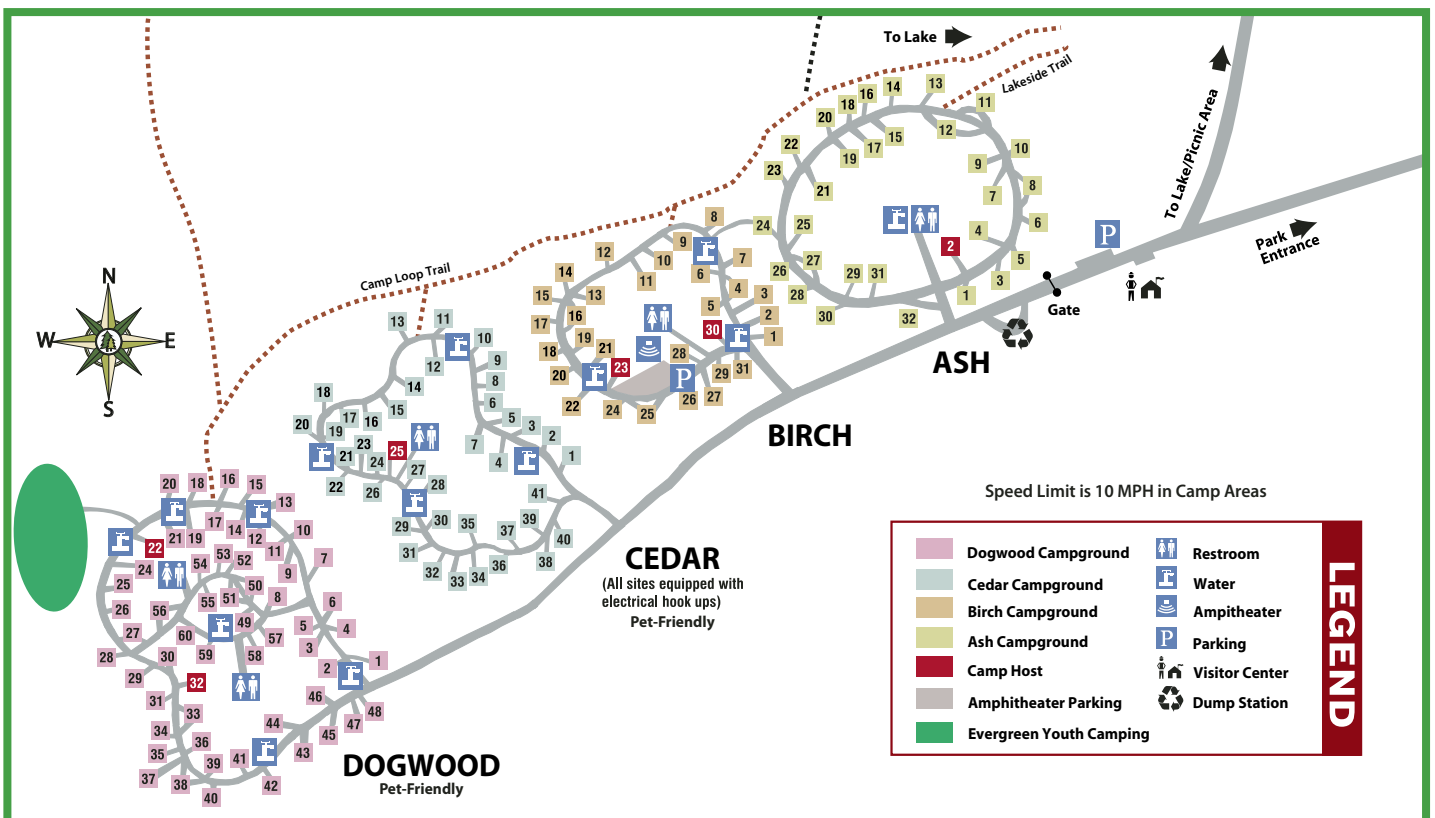
Call 888-432-CAMP between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Monday-Friday, or reserve a site online anytime at parkreservations.maryland.gov. Campsite costs range between \$26 and \$40 per night; weekend, holiday, non-resident and electric premiums apply. Alcohol is prohibited in the campground and throughout the park. Quiet hours start at 10 p.m.; check out is 1 p.m.

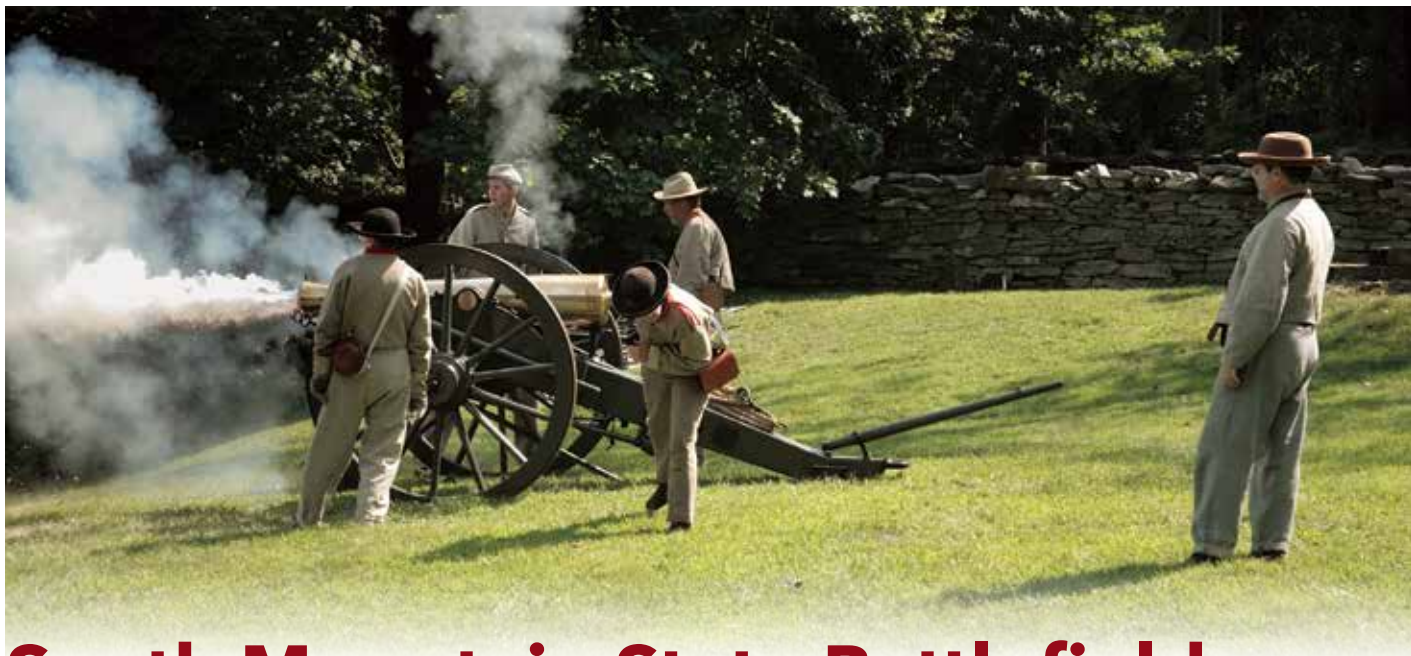
During the week (Sunday after 1 p.m. through Friday before 3 p.m.) visitors are welcome to tour/preview the Greenbrier campground after registering their vehicles with the Camp Office staff.

WANTED: CAMP HOSTS

- Help maintain the park
- Make campers feel at home
- Help with special events and programs
- Have a good time!

In exchange for 20 hours of volunteer work per week, camp hosts receive a free campsite with full hook-ups and a sense of community with Greenbrier State Park. Call 301-791-4767 to apply.





South Mountain Battlefield

A Crucial Battle Echoed Through the Mountain Gaps in the Lead-Up to Antietam.

The Battle of South Mountain was perhaps the most decisive part of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee's failed first attempt to invade the Union – and perhaps one of the most decisive events in the American Civil War. A Confederate victory on northern soil might have compelled Great Britain and France to intervene on the South's behalf, and persuade a war-weary North to negotiate a peace settlement. A Southern victory might have secured Confederate independence.

Following his victory at 2nd Manassas, Lee's invasion of the Union (also known as the Maryland Campaign) began Sept. 4, 1862, when a portion of the Army of Northern Virginia crossed the Potomac River near Leesburg, Va., and advanced toward Frederick, Md. As the Confederates moved westward across South Mountain toward Hagerstown, the Army of the Potomac under Union Gen. George B. McClellan left Washington, D.C., in pursuit of the invaders.

Everything went according to Lee's plan until Sept. 13, when the Federals reached Frederick and Union soldiers found a copy of Lee's Special Order No. 191. The famous "Lost Order" revealed that Lee's army was divided, with only a few regiments in Boonsboro watching the mountain gaps.

Fought Sept. 14, 1862, the Battle of South Mountain broke out in the Fox's Gap and Turner's Gap areas after Confederate gunners opened fire on Federal forces moving toward the base of the mountain. Charges and counter-charges continued here throughout most of the day. Further south at Crampton's Gap,

Gen. William B. Franklin did not begin an attack by his Union VI Corps until late afternoon – a delay that cost the Union a chance at dividing the Confederate forces.

By nightfall on Sept. 14, 1862, the Maryland Campaign changed for Lee and the Army of Northern Virginia from an offensive incursion to a defensive withdrawal. Although the Battle of South Mountain was a Confederate tactical defeat, the Union's failure to lead a full-scale attack early in the day allowed Lee to summon reinforcements. On Sept. 15, Lee fell back to Sharpsburg to set up a defensive position along Antietam Creek.

The first major Civil War battle in Maryland, the Battle of South Mountain, shaped events that resulted in the bloodiest one-day battle in American history when, three days later, on Sept. 17, the armies clashed during the Battle of Antietam.



The Battlefield Office is located at Washington Monument State Park

Send mail c/o
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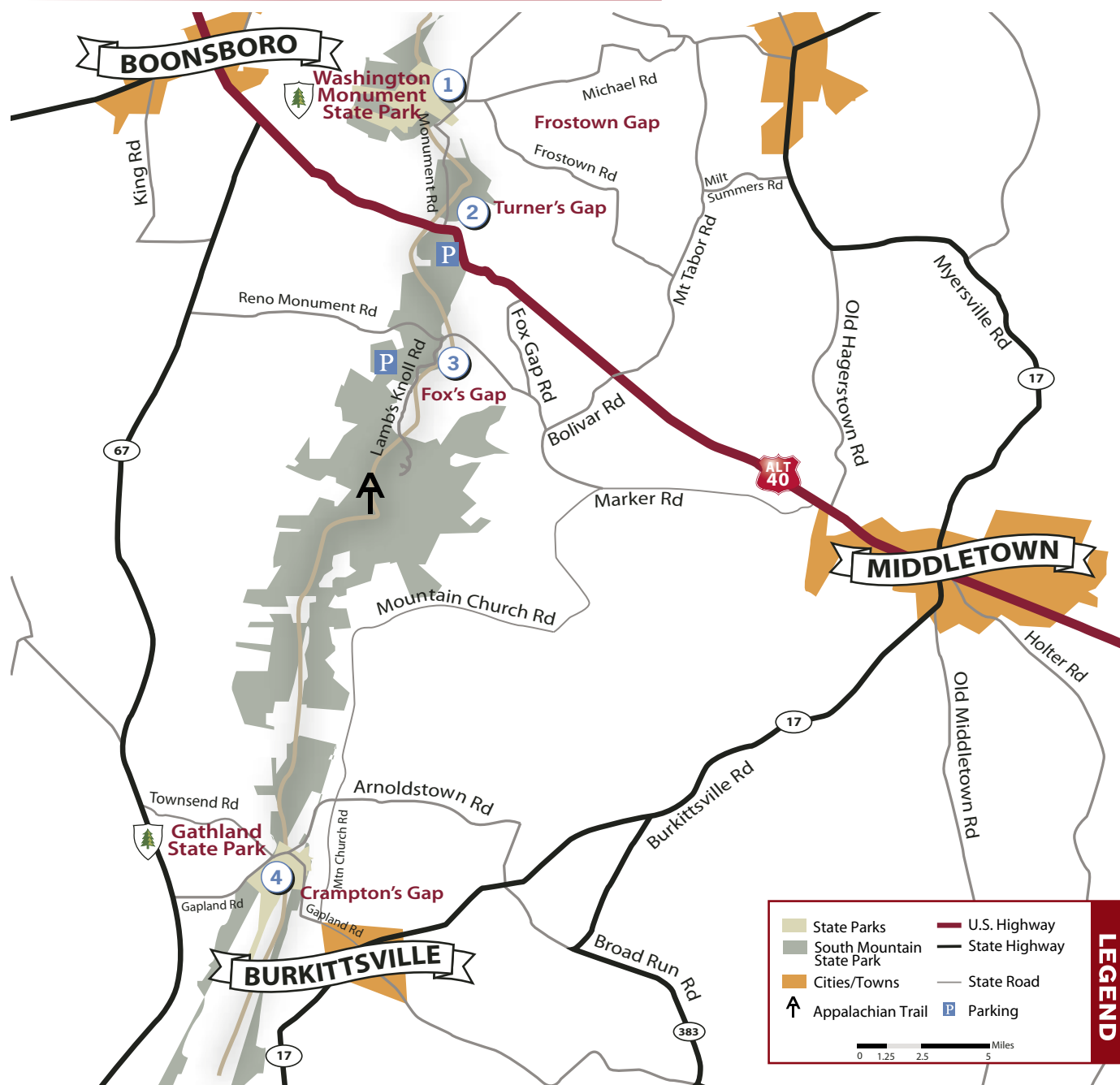
Visiting Hallowed Ground

The South Mountain battlefield is a remarkable historic, natural, and recreational resource. In addition to being the site of the first major Civil War battle in Maryland, it includes valuable farm and forestland and is home to diverse wildlife. Only here does the Appalachian National Scenic Trail intersect a major Civil War battlefield. The battlefield also serves as a shrine to the memory of the approximately 6,100 soldiers who were killed, wounded and missing that day.

A large portion of the battlefield is privately owned. Please

respect the property rights and privacy of our friends and neighbors when touring the battlefield.

Battlefield preservation is an ongoing, expensive process. Two-thirds of the battlefield remains unprotected. Assistance is needed to prevent encroaching development from forever snuffing out this unique landscape. To learn more about how to help save the battlefield, call the South Mountain State Battlefield office at 301-432-8065 or visit the Maryland Department of Natural Resources' website.



South Mountain State Battlefield Points of Interest

1 WASHINGTON MONUMENT STATE PARK

The Washington Monument Visitors Center features exhibits covering the history of the nation's first completed monument to honor George Washington, a summary of the 1862 Maryland Campaign, and a fiber-optic map presenting an overview of the Battle of South Mountain. Visit the monument itself, which was used as a Union signal station during the Civil War.

2 TURNER'S GAP

A major thoroughfare in the area during the Civil War, the National Road

crosses the mountain here, at one of the three major gaps involved in the battle. The Mountain House hugs the road and was a focal point during the battle. It still operates as a restaurant today (South Mountain Inn). Wayside exhibits explain the battle around the gap, where the famous Iron Brigade earned its name.

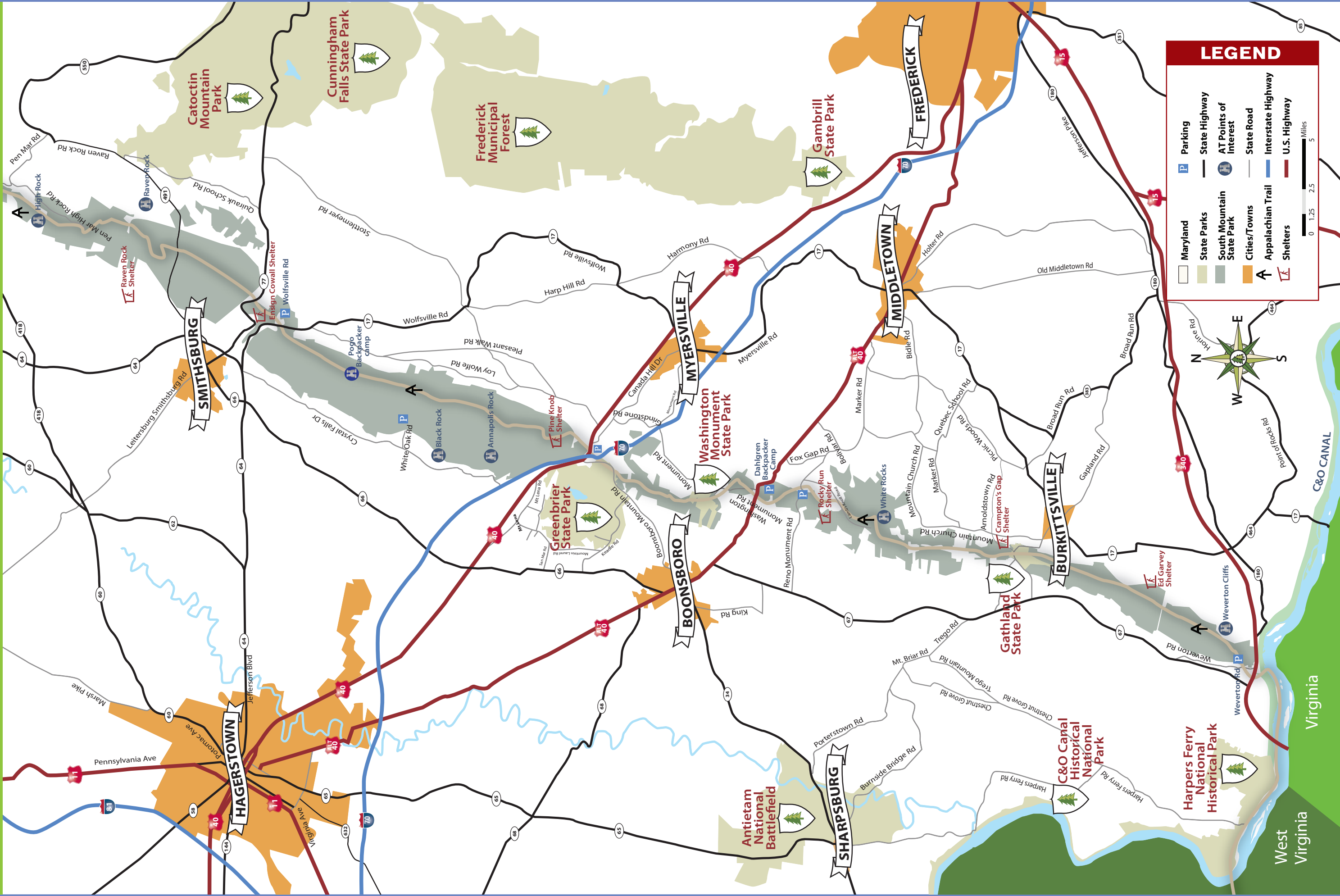
3 FOX'S GAP

Wayside exhibits discuss the battle in this area. Monuments dedicated to the men who fought here include two devoted to generals killed during the battle: Union Major General Jesse Reno,

commander of the Ninth Army Corps, and Confederate Brigadier General Samuel Garland, commander of a North Carolinian brigade.

4 CRAMPTON'S GAP (Gathland State Park)

Two museums explore the literary career of George Alfred Townsend and War Correspondents, and the Battle of South Mountain. Interpretive wayside exhibits highlight points of interest from the battle. The War Correspondents Memorial, constructed by Townsend after the war, stands at the park entrance.



Take a Hike!

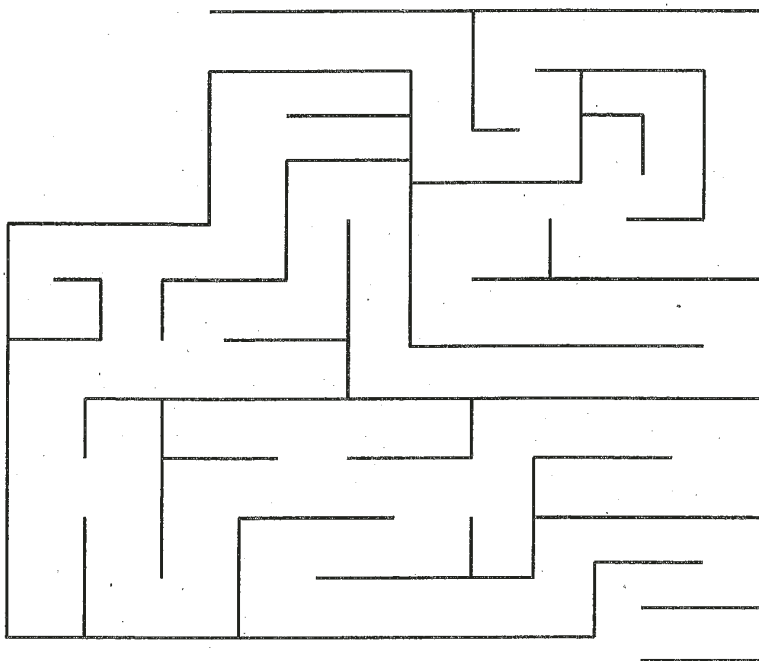
One of the most important jobs of a Ranger is to look for hikers lost in the woods. We call that Search and Rescue. Maryland has thousands and thousands of acres of undeveloped natural areas. They are great to explore, but if you are not careful, you could get lost and wind up in a lot of trouble. It's best to hike with a partner and always tell someone where you are going and when you plan to be back. Just remember, if you do get lost, the Rangers will put their search and rescue skills to work and do their best to find you. Have fun...but be careful!

Can you help this hiker find his way back to his campsite?
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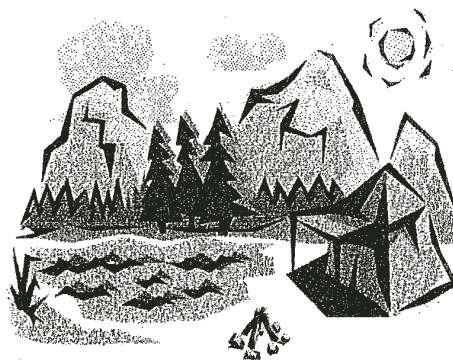
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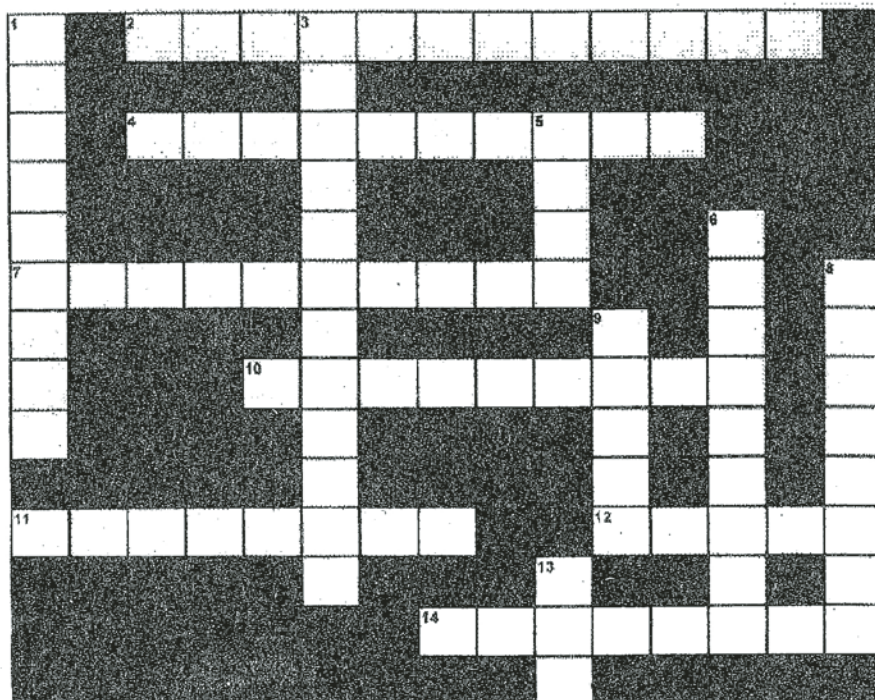
Did you know that there are hundreds of trails waiting for you to explore in Maryland's Public Lands? Many people enjoy these trails, but all the wear and tear on the trails can take its toll. That is why we encourage trail "stewardship". Stewardship means to take care of something. Find out what you can do to help with the stewardship of the trails in a state forest or park near you.





Discover Maryland's History At Your State Parks...

Did you know that many of Maryland's most significant historical site and events are protected and interpreted at your State Parks? See if you can complete this crossword puzzle that explores some of the history of our state.



Across

2. Site of a famous Civil War prison.
4. War of 1812 battle where British attempted to capture Baltimore.
7. The first monument to this president was built in Boonesboro, Maryland.
10. This African American officer in the Civil War was awarded the Medal of Honor.
11. The Battle of South _____ was a turning point for the Confederates in 1862.
12. Capt. John _____ explored the Chesapeake Bay in 1608.
14. Native Americans who were allies to Maryland during the French and Indian War.

Down

1. Revolutionary War General, also Maryland Governor whose home is located in Southern Maryland.
3. Historic road through Western Maryland along which several state forests and parks are located.
5. Material smelted at the Catoctin Furnace at Cunningham Falls State Park.
6. Western Maryland Fort built during the French & Indian War.
8. Slaves found their freedom along the Underground Railroad which passed through the area of this Eastern Shore State Park.
9. Many park facilities were built by the Civilian Conservation _____.
13. Famous Confederate commander in the 1862 & 1863 Civil War campaigns into Maryland.

Discover Maryland's History Crossword Answers
Across:
2. Point Lookout, 4. North Point, 7. Washington, 10. Fleetwood, 11. Mountain, 12. Smith, 14. Cherokee
Down:
1. Smallwood, 3. National Road, 5. Iron, 6. Frederick, 8. Tuckahoe, 9. Corps, 13. Lee



South Mountain Historic Programs



If you enjoy discovering history, South Mountain is just the place to do it. On weekends during the summer and fall, programs are offered at Washington Monument, Gathland and South Mountain Battlefield that explore the rich history of the area. Whether exploring the first monument dedicated to the memory of George Washington, the estate of war correspondent and novelist George Alfred Townsend, or the 1862 Battle of South Mountain, Ranger-led programs are designed to appeal to a wide range of ages, interests and expertise. Here is a sampling of programs that are offered at the parks:

BATTLEFIELD HIKES

These programs provide an opportunity to explore the South Mountain Battlefield in depth. Normally of one-and-

a-half to two hours in duration, the hikes take visitors to areas where the important events of the battle took place.

REGIMENTAL COLORS

Flags of all types played a large role during the American Civil War. Discover the importance of Regimental Flags during the war as well as their symbolism and history.

MOUNTAIN MONUMENTS

Numerous commemorative monuments call South Mountain home. The history and meaning behind various monuments will be revealed.

LIVING HISTORY

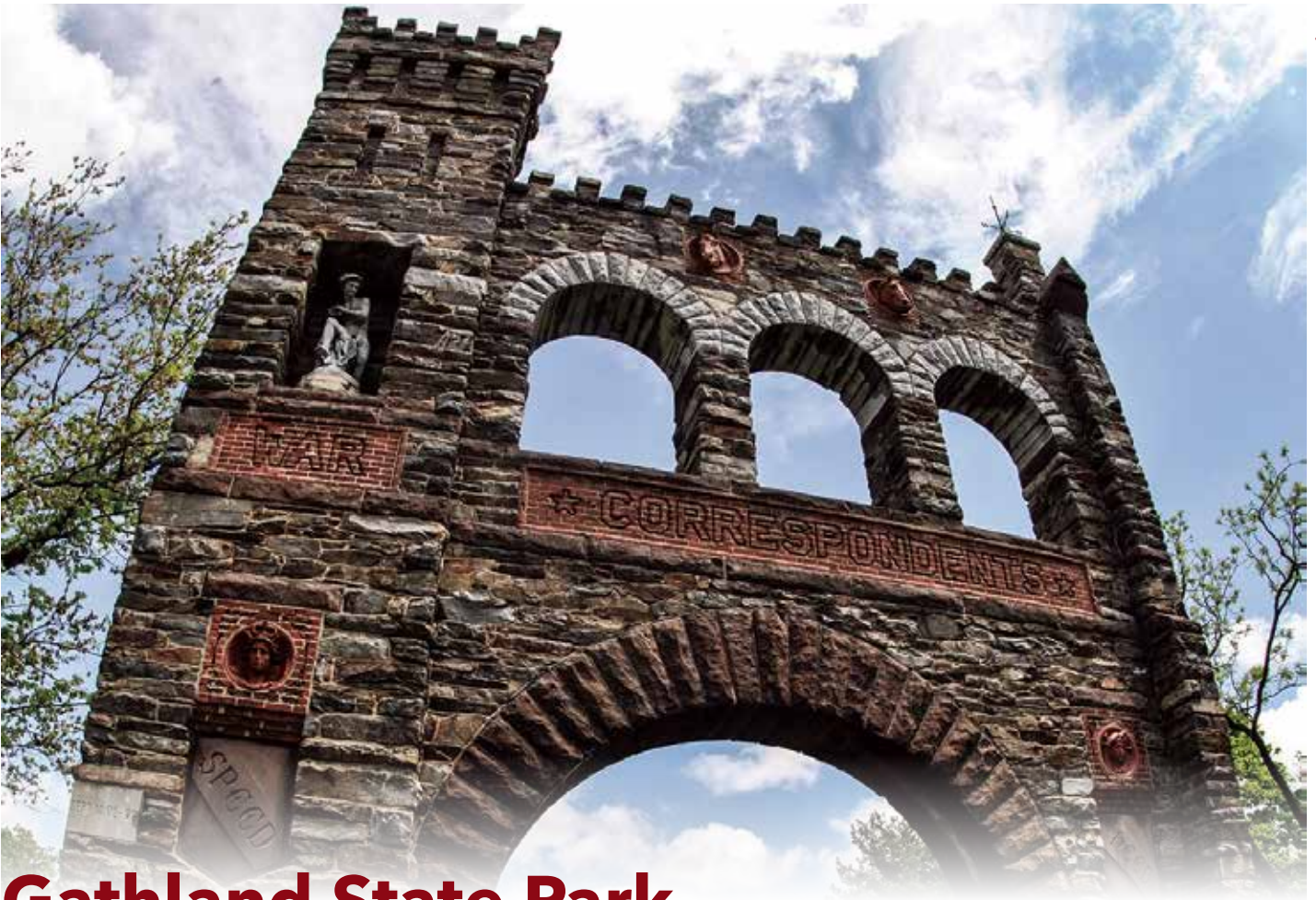
Discover the history and importance of the Battle of South Mountain by exploring the life of the common Civil War soldier. On certain weekends, cannon firing demonstrations are presented that explain the important role artillery played in the battle.

HISTORIC WASHINGTON MONUMENT TOURS

Learn about the first monument completed in honor of George Washington. Tours explain the significance and many changes that have occurred throughout the monument's history as well as highlight the life of Washington himself.

For more information about these and other historic programs and for a current schedule, call Washington Monument State Park at 301-432-8065 or check the park's website: dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/western/washington.aspx





Gathland State Park

Nature and Architecture Combine in Mountain Estate
Honoring Civil War Correspondents.

While researching President Abraham Lincoln's assassination, George Alfred Townsend – the Civil War's youngest field correspondent and one of late-19th century America's most important journalists and novelists – became captivated by beautiful Crampton's Gap, site of a September 1862 Civil War battle. He purchased 100 acres on the ridge of South Mountain and built his estate. Townsend often wrote under the pen name "GATH," which he derived from adding an "H" to his initials "G.A.T.," and the estate is now Gathland State Park.

During the Civil War, Townsend reported on the events from the Union side. He covered the Peninsular Campaign in 1862; then lectured in Europe before returning to report on the war's end. A popular syndicated columnist and novelist, Townsend fashioned himself as a Renaissance man and was an unabashed self-promoter. Race horses, pocket knives, a line of cigars as well as a post office all bore his pseudonym.

In establishing his estate, he included a monument to honor war correspondents, artists and photographers. The War Correspondents Arch – a monument 50 feet high and 40 feet across built in 1896 – is a national historic monument administered and maintained by the National Park Service. Two buildings from Townsend's estate survive and now serve as Gathland State Park's museum. The museum features

many artifacts from Townsend's life, career and estate, as well as artifacts from the Battle of South Mountain.

Gathland's pavilion is available for reservation by calling 888-432-CAMP or visiting parkreservations.maryland.gov. Reservation cost is \$76.36 per day. Alcohol permits are available for this site and are available through the reservation service for \$35.

The Appalachian National Scenic Trail passes through Gathland State Park. You can hike the A.T. from Maine to Georgia or for just a few miles. If you are planning an overnight backpack outing, you can park at Gathland State Park for a few days.

Gathland State Park

The museums are open in spring, summer and fall, and by request.

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Washington Monument State Park

A Monument to Our First President Provides Stunning Views and an Activity-Packed Park.

In 1827, the citizens of Boonsboro became the first to complete a monument in honor of George Washington. According to a period newspaper account, on July 4, 1827, at 7 a.m., most of Boonsboro's 500 inhabitants assembled at the public square. Behind the Stars and Stripes and stepping spiritedly to the music of a fife and drum corps, they marched two miles up the mountain to the monument site. The citizens worked until noon and then held a dedication ceremony and lunch. They resumed work and by 4 p.m. the monument stood 15 feet high on a 54-foot circular base. The day ended with the reading of the Declaration of Independence and a three-round salute fired by three Revolutionary War veterans. The workers returned that September to complete the monument, at a finished height of 30 feet. During the Civil War, the Union Army pressed the monument into service as a signal tower. The monument fell into disrepair, and the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) restored it in 1936.

Visitors today can take in panoramic views of three states from the top of Washington Monument, which anchors a park featuring hiking, picnicking, camping, bird watching, and a museum. Most of the Washington Monument's hiking trail is part of the Appalachian National Scenic Trail. Hikers planning an overnight backpack outing can park at Washington Monument State Park for a few days (Park in the lower lot only and sign the hiker log book). Day-hikers can trek north for 3 miles to Greenbrier State Park or go south to South Mountain State Battlefield and Gathland State Park. Pets on leashes are welcome on the Appalachian Trail and in Washington Monument State Park.

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Picnic sites with tables and grills are available, and families or groups can rent one of the two pavilions. The park includes a multi-purpose field for pick-up games and playground for children. The monument is an ideal site for spotting migratory birds like hawks, eagles and falcons; peak time is mid-September. The monument museum features historical artifacts related to the history of Washington Monument and the Battle of South Mountain.

FEES AND RESERVATIONS

Entrance Fee: \$2*

Maryland Park Passport: \$75*

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Fort Necessity Picnic Shelter \$61.36/day (Shelter capacity: 55)

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To reserve campsites or shelters, call 888-432-CAMP or visit parkreservations.maryland.gov. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited except by permit with reservation of the Fort Necessity Shelter. Call the park office at 301-791-4767 for help planning your visit.

Washington Monument State Park

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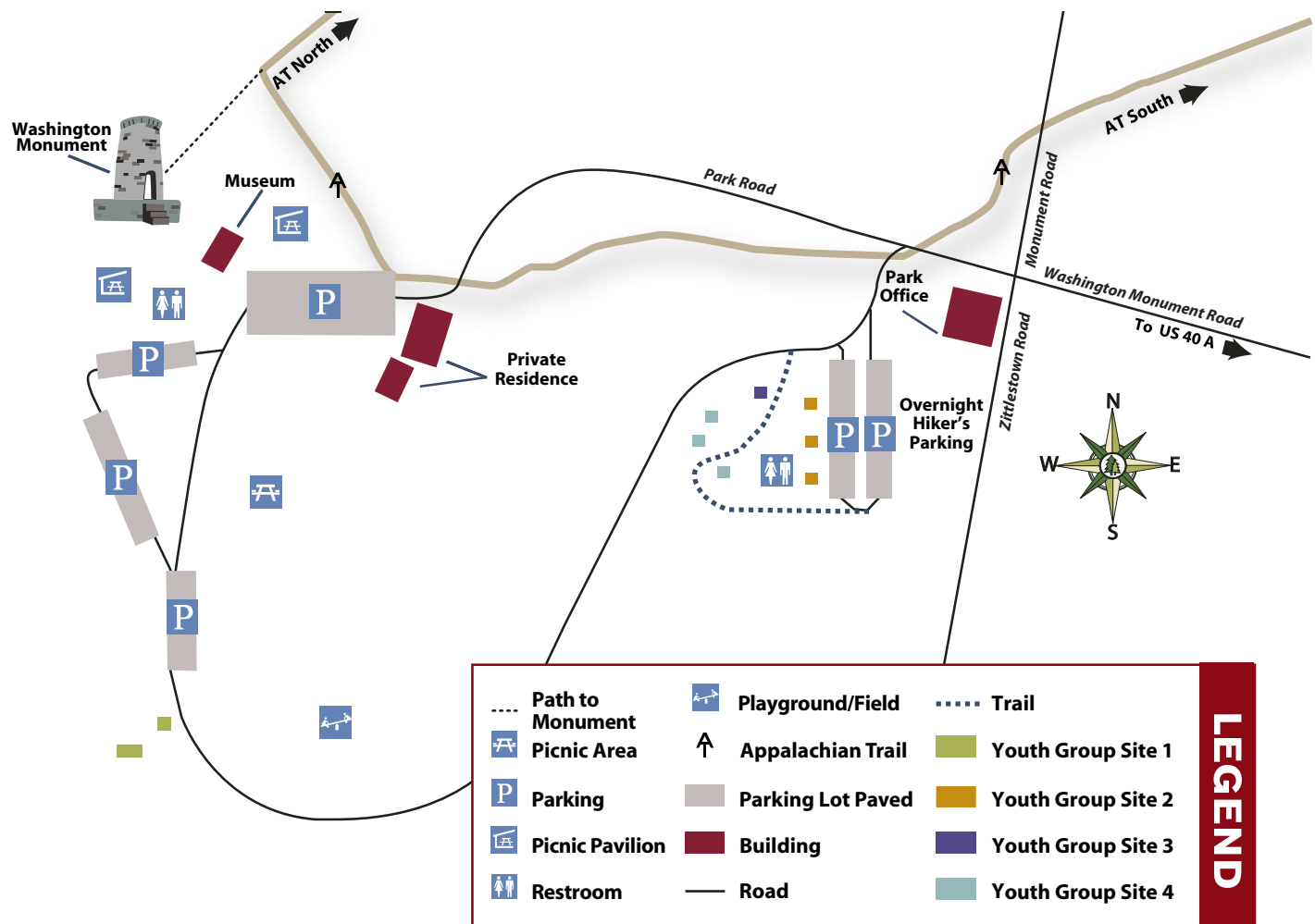
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South Mountain State Park

Explore a Landscape Teeming with Wildlife, Scenic Vistas and History.

South Mountain State Park is a 40-mile-long multi-use state park weaving along the South Mountain ridge from the Pennsylvania line to the Potomac River. The park has no distinguishable boundary or entrance facility but is accessible at a number of locations. Most of the park is only accessible by foot.

South Mountain State Park's 13,000-acre forest is home to a wide variety of wildlife, including black bears, meadow voles, whitetail deer, raccoons, rat snakes and opossums. Please be respectful to the wildlife: keep your distance and do not disturb! South Mountain is also along the Eastern Flyway, a migration route for hawks, eagles and owls.

Maryland's portion of the Appalachian National Scenic Trail is situated along the ridge top of South Mountain State Park. The A.T. is perfect for a variety of hikes and experience levels: You can make a simple day hike, an overnight backpack trip or a multi-night excursion part of your South Mountain adventure. Use a detailed Appalachian Trail map to plan your outing, available for purchase at Greenbrier State Park. South Mountain features several impressive scenic vistas, including High Rock, Black Rock, Annapolis Rock, White Rock and Weverton Cliffs,

which are all accessible from the A.T.

In addition to its natural significance, South Mountain has been influenced by several historic figures, including General Edward Braddock, George Washington, William McKinley, Rutherford B. Hayes, Robert E. Lee, George B. McClellan, and George Alfred Townsend.

South Mountain State Park

The South Mountain State Park
Office is located at Greenbrier State Park.

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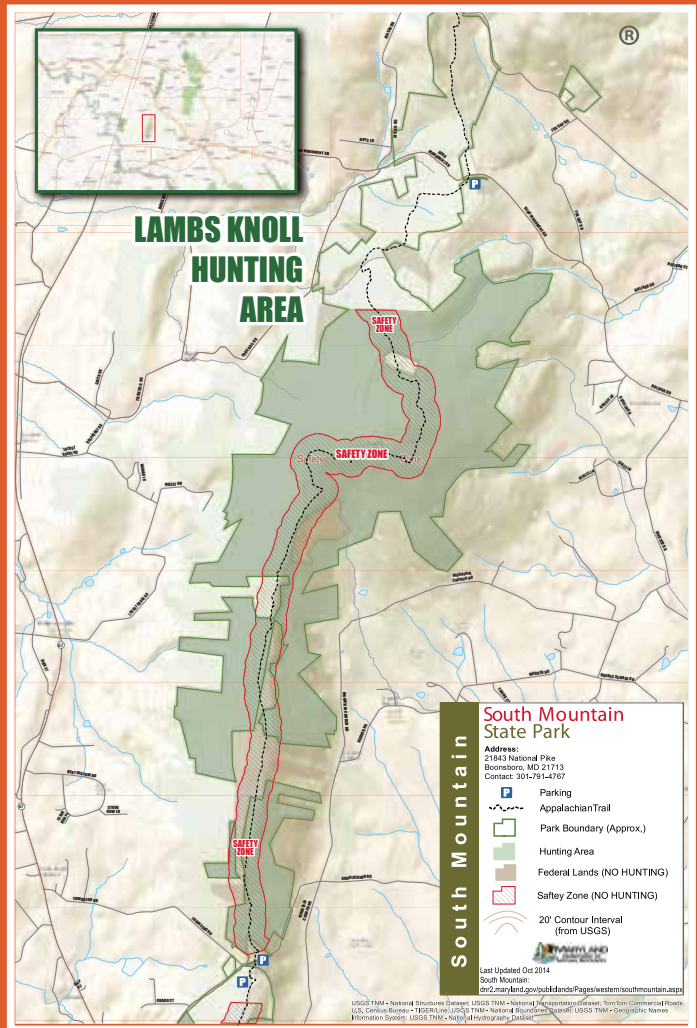
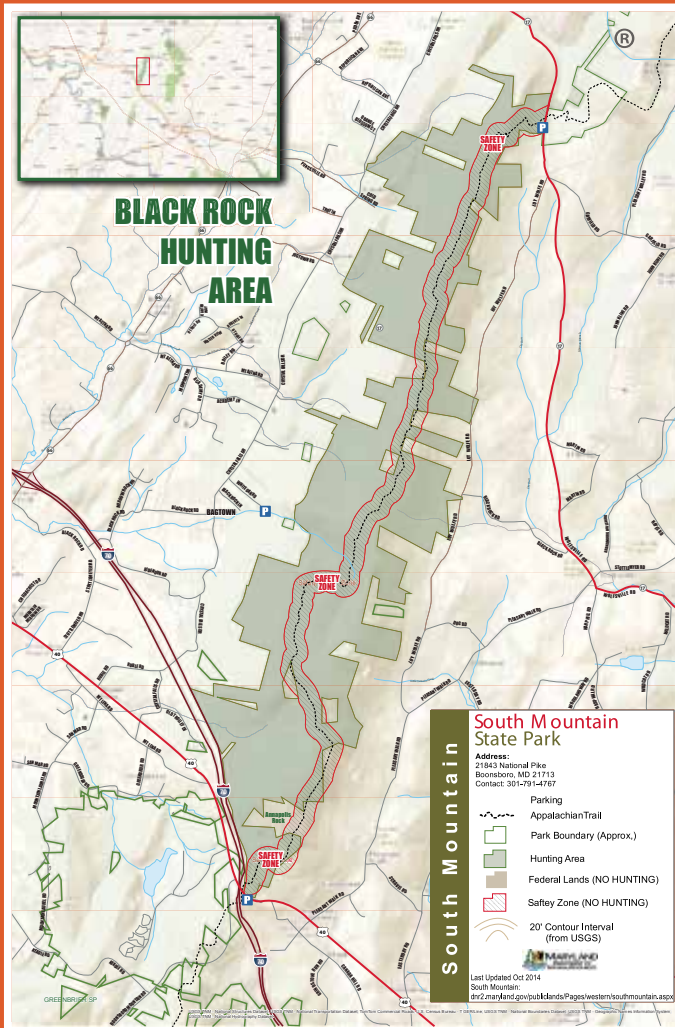
South Mountain State Park includes Black Rock Hunting Lands and Lambs Knoll Hunting Lands. A Maryland hunting license and knowledge of the Maryland hunting seasons are required. There is no hunting on Sundays. Access is limited, so be prepared to hike long distances. To improve your hunting experience, scout out the areas prior to hunting season. You may use the Appalachian Trail to access the hunting areas, but the Appalachian Trail Corridor is a non-hunting area. You cannot hunt until you are 150 yards away from the Trail in either direction. Hunting is not permitted on Federal land.

Make sure your weapon is unloaded in the safety zones

and also while hiking to your destination through non-hunting areas. Respect private property. Off-road motorized vehicle use is strictly prohibited.

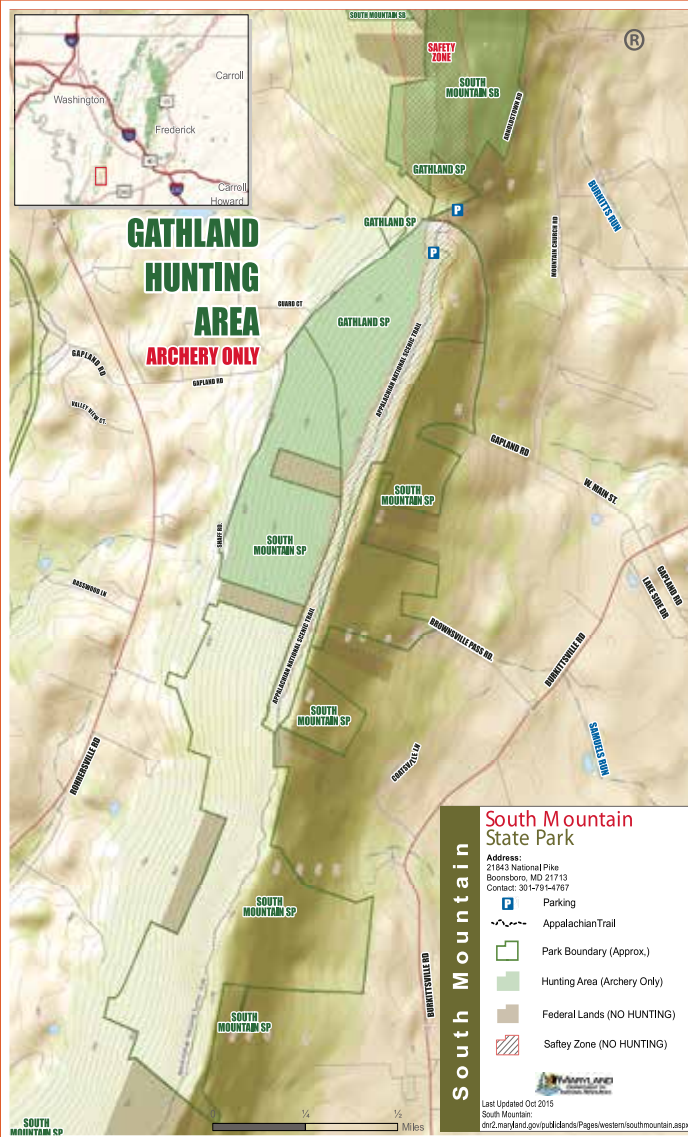
Remember that many hikers using the A.T. may be unaware of hunting seasons. Boundaries are marked with yellow paint. A yellow line indicates you are looking into state property; a yellow dot indicates you are looking into private property.

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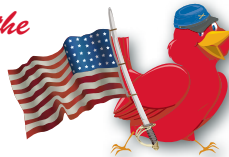


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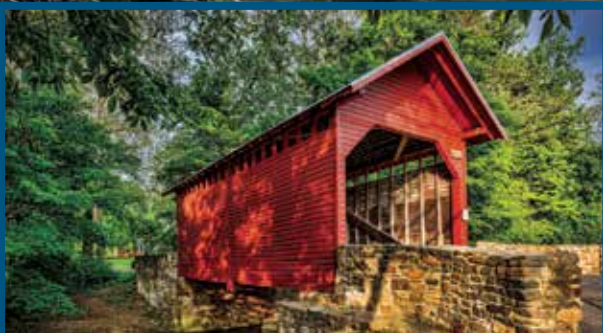
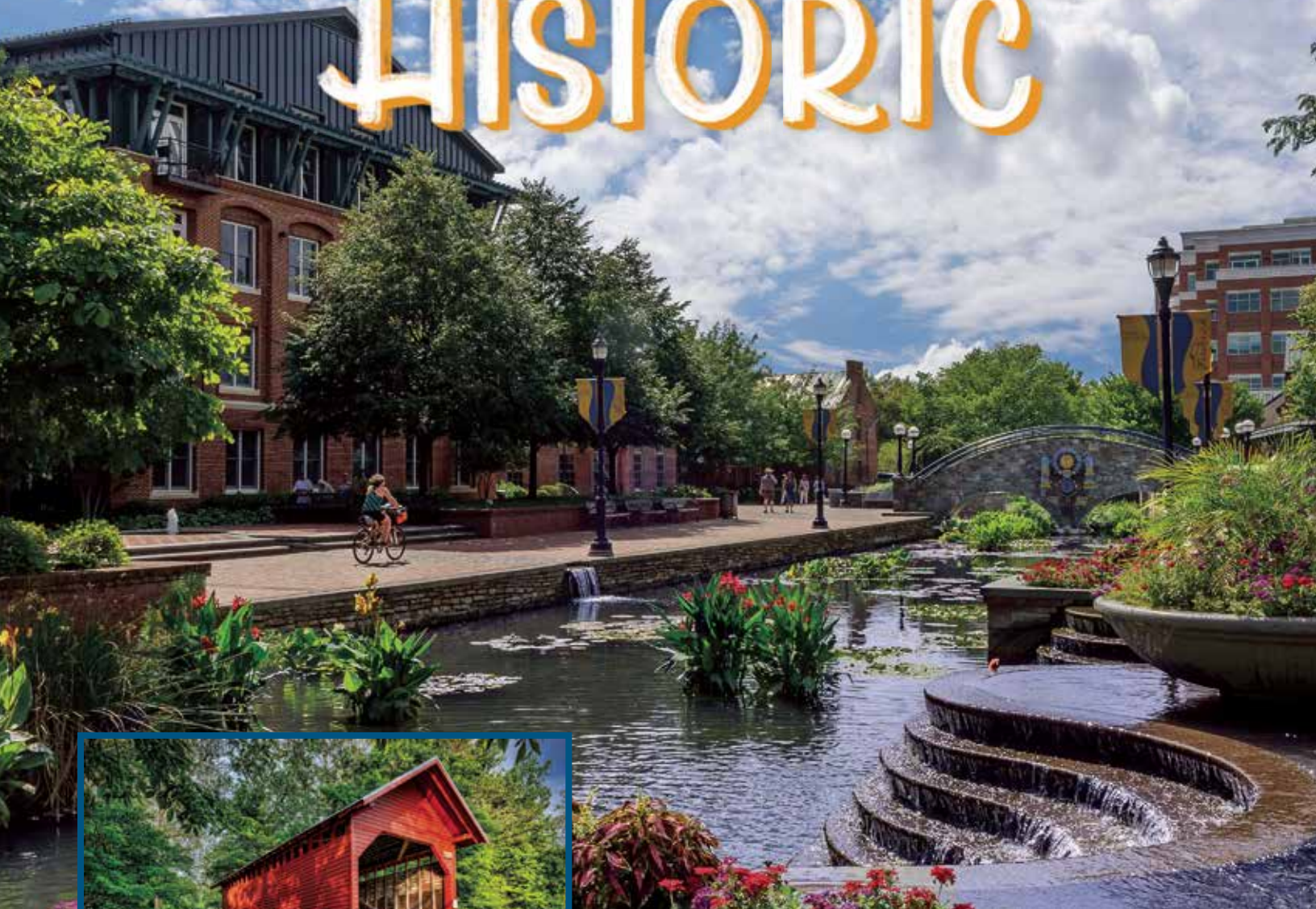


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